



## SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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**TO:** County Weed & Pest Supervisors, Weed & Pest Control Commission/Attendees

**FROM:** Darwin W. Kurtenbach, Administrator *D.W.K.*

**DATE:** October 1, 2010

**SUBJECT:** Call for Weed & Pest Grant Applications for FY2012

At the meeting on September 10, 2010 the Weed & Pest Control Commission approved a call for grant applications for FY2012 funds. The commission will be awarding each county that meets the criteria a regular grant. The form is marked FY2012 Call for Grants & Contractual Agreements. Also, the Commission has made available \$152,000 in competitive grants of which any dollar amount can be awarded to one or more counties for special weed projects within the county. The competitive grant criteria and application form is marked as FY2012 Competitive Weed & Pest Grant. These grant requests will be evaluated and approved by a committee appointed by the Weed & Pest Control Commission Chairman and presented to the Commission meeting in February for final approval.

The Commission approved the following:

- \$231,000 divided equally between counties that meet the criteria
- \$67,000 Granted to SDSU, SD Association of County Weed & Pest Boards
- \$152,000 to fund competitive grants for county priority weed control projects

All grants applications must be mailed to the Department of Agriculture, Office of Plant Protection and postmarked no later than November 19, 2010. The Commission will act on all grant applications on February 16, 2011 at the 2011 Annual Weed & Pest Conference in Huron, SD.

If you have any questions, please contact your district Commission member or this office at 1-800-228-5254 or 773-3796 or else ask the Department of Agriculture staff at the upcoming District Weed & Pest Meetings.